

Closed Session Minutes
of the
Maryland Commission on Kidney Disease
October 28, 2021

Upon motion made in public session, Chairman Berliner called for adjournment of the Public Session into closed session to discuss the following items:

1. Discussion on the internal administration of the Commission's responsibilities and process for evaluating, investigating and deciding involuntary discharges, complaints, Plans of Correction, and survey deficit resolution. Authority: General Provisions Article, § 3-103(a)(1)(i)
2. Discussion on the internal administrative process for responding to a Department of Health request to review for accuracy a Departmental Fact Sheet on Chronic Kidney Disease. Authority: General Provisions Article, § 3-103(a)(1)(i)

The Closed Session was called to order at 3:26 p.m. and held under the authority of § 3-103 of the General Provisions Article.

In attendance via Google Meets, in addition to Chairman Berliner, were Commissioners Dr. Sumeska Thavarajah, Dr. Nadiesda Costa, Dr. Donna Hanes, Dr. Sonal Korganonkar, , Dr. Jeremy Yospin, Susan Leon, RN, Jacqueline Hires, LCSW NSW-C, Tisha Guthrie, LMSW, Raymond Harris, Collins, Leon, Rayfield, Andrene Townsend, RN and Jerome Chiat.

In attendance via Google Meets representing Staff was Eva Schwartz, Executive Director and Donna Adcock, RN, Surveyor.

Also attending was Leslie Schulman, Commission Counsel.

Item One

In consultation with Commission Counsel, Eva Schwartz briefed the Commissioners on the role and responsibilities of each Commissioner in evaluating and deciding complaints, survey deficiencies, and Plans of Correction. The discussion also included the internal administration on the process for handling and conducting investigation of involuntary discharges, complaints and survey deficits; and the need of the Commission membership to ratify any final disposition of patient complaints, involuntary patient discharges, and approved or disapproved Plans of Correction.

(Authority: General Provisions Article, § 3-103(1)(1)(i)

Item Two

The administrative process for responding to a Department of Health request for the Commission to review for accuracy a Fact Sheet on Chronic Kidney Disease being developed by University of Maryland students for the Department was discussed. Authority: General Provisions Article, § 3-103(a)(1)(i)

Upon Motion made, the Closed Session was adjourned at 4:04 p.m.